

Exeter River Corridor Wildlife and Habitat Protection Project: Danville, Fremont and Sandown, New Hampshire

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The Towns of Danville, Fremont and Sandown in partnership with the Rockingham Planning Commission and Mark West, West Environmental, Inc., are currently working on a collaborative project to promote and encourage protection of wildlife and habitat within the Exeter River corridor and watershed. The collaborative project includes the following activities:



ACTIVITY #1 - Bio-inventory and report of wildlife, habitat, wetlands and other resources within selected areas of the Exeter River corridor in Danville, Fremont and Sandown.

The inventory will result in field verification and refinement of NH Wildlife Action Plan and National Wetland Inventory mapping of wetlands, vernal pools, habitat types, plant communities and species. The final assessment, report and maps will be presented to town officials, planning boards and conservation commissions in Danville, Fremont and Sandown. (Refer to the project area map on back.)



ACTIVITY 2 - Development of a draft section or chapter for the Master Plans of Danville, Fremont and Sandown that addresses conservation of wildlife habitat.

By including recommendations for protection of wildlife and habitat in the town's Master Plans, the communities will have a unified basis from which to implement programs and policies that work toward the common goal of protection and preservation of these resources. The Rockingham Planning Commission will work with the towns to develop and present this material to the Planning Boards for their consideration.



ACTIVITY 3 - Completion of an Open Space Plan for the Town of Sandown.

Danville and Fremont completed Open Space Plans in 2010 as part of the I-93 Community Technical Assistance Program (CTAP). The Rockingham Planning Commission will develop a similar plan for Sandown which will result in a regional open space plan for the Exeter River corridor and watershed in the Danville, Fremont and Sandown.



ACTIVITY 4 - Implementation of an education and outreach program in Danville, Fremont, and Sandown focusing on protection and preservation of wildlife, habitat, wetlands, vernal pools, and riparian areas.


Each community will conduct a public outreach activity or event to raise awareness of this project and the importance of preserving important wildlife and habitat. In addition, print and electronic materials will be distributed to residents, business owners and other local groups interested in wildlife protection.

CTAP Collaborative Grant
Project Area= 1882.27 Acres

Fremont - 755.58

Sandown - 466.08

Danville - 660.61

 FEMA Floodplain

